

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Stephen Anthony Burbidge, et al.

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Title: NEW USES FOR POTASSIUM CHANNEL OPENERS

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: Box PCT/DO/EO/US

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

The above identified application is being transmitted herewith for entry into the U.S. National Phase under Chapter II of the PCT. For the purposes of adding the priority information, please amend the application as follows:

In the Abstract:

Please substitute the attached Abstract, which has been placed on a separate piece of paper according to US practice.

In the Specification:

On the first line of the specification, after the Title, please add:

--This application is filed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 371 as a United States National Phase Application of International Application No. PCT/GB00/02516 filed June 30, 2000, which claims priority from 9915414.8 filed July 1, 1999 --

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Cancel Claims 1 through 2, 4 through 6 and 8.

In lieu thereof, please add the following new claims:

--9. A method for preparing a medicament for use as an anti-epileptic comprising using a KCNQ2/3 potassium channel opener.--